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House Resolution 165

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Requesting four-year colleges and universities of the University System of Georgia to help
- 2 make Georgia the # 1 DESTINATION FOR ENTREPRENEURS in the United States of
- 3 America by developing, and expanding, education for the support of science, innovation,
- 4 technology, energy, and new Georgia entrepreneurs; and for other purposes.
- 5 WHEREAS, science, innovation, technology, and energy and the entrepreneurial leaders that
- 6 utilize these important tools to build new businesses and expand available consumer products
- 7 are the keys for successful economic growth in Georgia; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Georgia loses massive potential return on its educational investment to other
- 9 states that have established competitive college and university courses to support the growth
- 10 of technology driven entrepreneurship; and
- 11 WHEREAS, there is a tremendous need to promote and cultivate science, innovation,
- 12 technology, energy, and entrepreneurs so as to increase the number of new and successful
- 13 technology based businesses in this state and, in turn, dramatically increase job opportunities
- 14 and economic success for all Georgia citizens; and
- 15 WHEREAS, units of the University System of Georgia, particularly those with existing
- bachelor, master, and nondegree programs in business administration, science, and computer
- 17 technology, are uniquely situated to provide instruction and help for the growth of science,
- innovation, technology, energy resources, and for Georgia's future entrepreneurs.
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 20 it is the sense of this body that the University System of Georgia must do more to make
- 21 Georgia the # 1 DESTINATION FOR ENTREPRENEURS in the United States of America
- 22 by developing, and expanding, comprehensive programs to provide education and training
- 23 for potential entrepreneurs and support the growth of science, innovation, technology, and

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24 energy in ways that will more effectively promote the establishment of new technology

- 25 driven businesses in this state.
- 26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body request four-year colleges and
- 27 universities of the University System of Georgia to develop and expand education for the
- 28 support of science, innovation, technology, and energy and new Georgia entrepreneurs in
- 29 order to make Georgia the # 1 DESTINATION FOR ENTREPRENEURS in the United
- 30 States of America.
- 31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 32 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the president of each
- 33 four-year college and university of the University System of Georgia and to the Board of
- 34 Regents of the University System of Georgia.